

ABSTRACT**TEST**

5 The invention provides a method of determining the risk of an individual
developing a metabolic disorder, the method comprising:

- (i) detecting in a sample from the individual the presence or absence of
the ER22/23EK polymorphism in the glucocorticoid receptor gene;
and
- 10 (ii) determining the likelihood of the individual developing a metabolic
disorder, wherein the presence of the ER22/23EK polymorphism is
indicative of a low risk of developing the metabolic disorder and the
absence of the ER22/23EK polymorphism is indicative of a high risk
of developing the metabolic disorder.

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